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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR INDIVIDUALS TO ATTEND THE DEFENSE REUTILIZATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND EXCESS DEFENSE ARTICLE AT THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE, FROM JULY 7-9, 2009

REF: 03 SECSTATE 034981

- 11. This is an action cable. See Paragraph Six.
- 12. Reftel is guidance for screening nominees for U.S. sponsored training programs.
- $\P 3$. To comply with the Leahy amendment relative to U.S. sponsored security assistance training, the U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh has conducted local human rights vetting for the following individuals selected for the Defense Article Reutilization Management System and Excess Defense Article at the Ministry of National Defense from July 7-9, 2009.

NAME: Chau Phirith (Male)

DPOB: Sep. 24, 1977; Svay Rieng

POSITION: Director RANK: Major General

DEPT/UNIT: Department of Techniques, Ministry of National Defense

NAME: Chau Poleak (Male)

DPOB: Oct. 8, 1971, Phnom Penh

POSITION: Deputy Director

RANK: Colonel

DEPT/UNIT: Department of Equipment, Ministry of National Defense

NAME: Hao Sam Oeun (Male)

DPOB: Dec. 29, 1972; Svay Rieng POSITION: Chief of Planning Office

RANK: Colonel

DEPT/UNIT: General Department of Materials and Techniques, Ministry of National Defense

NAME: Ros Sam Ath (Male) DPOB: Jul. 3, 1979, Svay Rieng

POSITION: Deputy Chief of Secretariat

RANK: Major

DEPT/UNIT: Department of Chemistry, Ministry of National Defense

NAME: Chap Samrang (Male)

DPOB: Jan. 5, 1950; Kamong Chhnang

POSITION: Deputy Director RANK: Brigadier General

DEPT/UNIT: Department of Finance, Ministry of National Defense

NAME: Phan Daramony (Female) DPOB: Oct. 27, 1967; Phnom Penh POSITION: Chief of Planning Office

RANK: Colonel

DEPT/UNIT: Department of Planning, Ministry of National Defense

NAME: Hong Phanith (Male)

DPOB: Feb. 9, 1976; Kampong cham

POSITION: Staff

RANK: Second Lieutenant

DEPT/UNIT: General Department of Logistics and Finance, Ministry of

National Defense

14. U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh has reviewed its files and finds that, as of this date, it possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the above individuals.

- $\underline{\mathbf{1}}$ 5. Individuals will attend the Defense Reutilization Management System and Excess Defense Article at the Ministry of National Defense from July 7-9, 2009.
- $\P 6$. Action request: Please verify whether the Department possesses any credible information that the individuals named above have been implicated in gross violations of human rights.
- 17. Points of contacts for Amembassy Phnom Penh are Major Wayne Turnbull at turnbullpw@state.gov or tel: 855-23-728-219, or Jenae Johnson at Johnsonjd3@state.gov or tel: 855-23-728-118.

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